

Meeting Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting
South Atlantic States Section
Air & Waste Management Association

Date: July 15, 2020
Duration: 4:00 to 5:30 pm
Location: Virtual Meeting

Attendees

1. Dean Kaiser
2. Rahul Thaker
3. Khalil Porter
4. Sunhee Park
5. Chris Geraghty
6. Kevin Black
7. Ann Quillian
8. Flint Webb
9. Steve Frysinger
10. Ricky Tropp
11. Bob Hall

Agenda

1. Approval of Agenda (Bob Hall)
 - a. Approved.
2. Approval of Outstanding Meeting Minutes (June) (Bob Hall)
 - a. Approved. Since Stephanie couldn't attend today's meeting Khalil volunteered to take minutes.
3. Updated review of A&WMA Board Position on COVID-19 Relative to Future Conferences and Workshops (Bob Hall/Rahul Thaker)
 - a. Being monitored closely. Evaluating different scenarios and contingency plans. Several face-to-face meetings are planned for the second half of the year.
4. Chapter Reports
 - a. Baltimore-Washington Chapter (Sunhee Park)
 - i. Planned meeting - Virtual Panel Discussion and Q&A: Hot Topics for Air Quality Regulators in D.C., Maryland, and Virginia Thursday July 30, 2020 5:00 to 6:30 pm.
 - b. Research Triangle Park Chapter (Khalil Porter)
 - i. COVID-19 update presentation was held in June by Dr. Jean-Marie Maillard, the Medical Director of NC DHHS and Pierre Lauffer, an Industrial Hygiene Consultant Supervisor at NC DHHS, 63 attendees.
 - ii. Planned meeting - One-half of the A&WMA national webinar PFAS: Measuring Emissions, Atmospheric Monitoring, Deposition Modeling, Control Techniques, and Managing Impacts July 21, 2020 12 to 1 pm. The second half will be presented in August.
 - c. South Carolina Chapter (Bob Hall)
 - i. Bob Hall sent emails to members of the South Carolina Chapter and asked if anyone was interested in taking over as chair. No responses yet.

- ii. Discussed the option to join another chapter such as RTP Chapter and becoming a new combined new Chapter with a new name. Khalil Porter reported that the RTP Chapter BOD members pushed back on changing the name in the past.
 - Virtual options may make it easier to include the SC Chapter. Khalil Porter will add it to the agenda for the next RTP Chapter meeting.
 - d. NCSU Student Chapter (Chris Frey)

Chris Frey couldn't attend the meeting but provided the following report:

 - i. Three NC State students prepared and delivered on-demand presentations for the virtual ACE, including Nikhil Rastogi, Tongchong Wei, and Weichang Yuan.
 - ii. The student chapter conducted a survey of student concerns about and attitudes related to SARS-Cov-2 and plans for 'reopening' for the fall semester.
 - iii. The student chapter has promoted an EPA webinar (to be held tomorrow) on indoor air quality aspects of SARS-Cov-2 to its members.
 - e. JMU Student Chapter (Stephen Frysinger)
 - i. No new major updates.
 - ii. University may open this fall but may pivot soon after opening. Any physical meetings are not likely. Students generally like activities such as workshops for professionals. They discussed ways to include members of JMU's Environmental Management Club in A&WMA's JMU Student Chapter activities,
5. Committee Reports
- a. Membership (Chris Geraghty)
 - i. Chris Geraghty emailed a copy of the membership report.
 - Membership continues to decline.
 - Khalil Porter to work with Chris Geraghty on getting a membership list and reaching out to current members from the Carolinas Air Pollution Control Association (CAPCA) as potential new members.
 - Flint mentioned that the Virginia Manufacturers Association may be a group worth reaching out to.
 - Environment Virginia is another option, may be a better fit, members include industry, regulators, and NGOs. SASS has run the air portions of the meetings in the past, Clara has been involved.
 - SASS survey will be sent to current and lapsed members by the end of next week.
 - Jeffrey Saunders needs to be replaced as a Director. Flint Webb agreed to be appointed to the position until a replacement is found. Flint was voted by the Board to fill the position for the remainder of this year.
 - b. Social Media/Website/SASS Survey (Chris Geraghty)
 - i. Nothing new reported other than the SASS survey being sent next week.
 - c. Education (Flint Webb)
 - i. [Elizabeth Spike](#) is reviewing environmental educator resource guides. [Flint Webb](#) is thinking that we may want to have the EERGs controlled by a joint committee between the A&WMA and the North American Association of Environmental Educators (NAAEE).
 - ii. Currently involved with the K-12 committee with [Elizabeth Spike](#). There will be a meeting of the K-12 committee on July 20th. If anyone is interested in being involved let [Flint](#) know and he will send an invite to the conference call.
 - iii. There is continued involvement with the Technical Council Committees (TCCs). [Gurdas Sandhu](#) offered to pay a student membership for a any student interested in joining the committee.

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 - a. Finance & Internal Auditing (Clara Poffenberger)
 - i. No report – Clara Poffenberger was not in attendance.
 - b. A&WMA BOD Updates (Rahul Thaker)
 - i. Attendance was about half as much as a normal ACE, but only 10% turnout was expected, so the A&WMA Board is very pleased with the success of the virtual ACE.
 1. 623 registrants, \$130,000 in revenue.
 2. There were 22 exhibits and 13 sponsors.
 3. There were some technical difficulties at times but overall a success.
 - ii. Net contribution in the last 5 years of \$700,000 of which \$400,000 was in 2019.
 - iii. Estimated net loss this year may be up to \$140,000.
 - iv. The Association has \$1.22 million in cash reserves.
 - v. More content needed, consider setting up webinars with HQ in to reach a larger audience. As an example, a Clean Air Act permitting webinar idea was submitted by Rahul Thaker today.
 - vi. Flint Webb reported:
 1. The Sept. issue of A&WMA EM magazine will include studies of the land-water interface.
 2. Susan Wierman is working on a webinar on the Chesapeake Bay air quality. Effects are also being made to create a procedure on how to make webinars better.
 3. The Orlando ACE meeting may be virtual as a contingency plan.
 - c. Other
 - i. Are there other conference call options we could use that are better than free conference call, such as Zoom or Skype? A&WMA has a Zoom license.
 - ii. Bob Hall to follow-up with Stephanie Glyptis on options that HQ may offer.
7. Old Business
 - a. Status of SC Chapter
 - i. See 5c above.
 - b. SASS Annual Report (Chris Geraghty)
 - i. The Annual report was submitted online. The only update was to incorporate the Facebook link. Other updates can be made at any time using the online platform.
 - ii. Bob thanked Chris for preparing and submitting the report, especially since Corey did not prepare and submit a report for 2018.
8. New Business
 - a. We'll continue to hold the SASS board meetings in 2020 on the 3rd Wednesdays at 4 pm.